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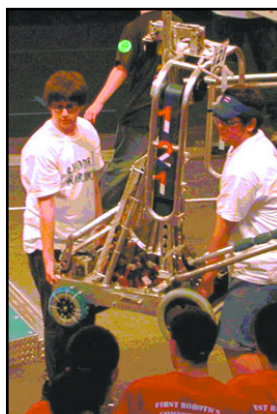
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Chiefs enter parade float

The Newport Chief Petty Officers' Association enters a float in the annual Newport St. Patrick's Day Parade.

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Robot back in running

The NUWC-mentored robotics team last weekend places seventh in regional competition sponsored by U.S. FIRST.

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Vet Clinic serves pets

The Veterinary Clinic in Building 303 resumes clinics again with the addition of a new Army veterinarian.

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3 cutters break ice

Three Newport-based Coast Guard buoy tenders are tasked with ice-breaking this winter to get shipping lanes open.

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Green for a day

Madalyn Reddin, 4, models her hand-crafted Irish derby with shamrocks at the Armed Services YMCA's St. Patrick's Day Party last Monday. Assisting is Susy Murphy, an ASYMCA staffer. The agency also sponsored a corned beef and cabbage luncheon on Wednesday.

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PUSHING SEASON OF SPRING — A Harley Davidson motorcycle in the Gym 109 parking lot sports a dusting of snow earlier this week as March — true to the adage — ‘comes in like a lion.’ More winter weather was expected last night.

National security expert women’s history speaker

By **BOB KREKORIAN**
NAVSTA Public Affairs Staff

Dr. Joan Johnson-Freese, Chair, Department of National Security Studies, Naval War College, will be the guest speaker at Naval Station Newport’s observance of Women’s History Month on Thursday, March 24, at 11 a.m. in the Building 690 Atrium.

The theme for March 2004 is “Women Inspiring Hope and Possibility.” The program will be open to military and civilian employees of NAVSTA Newport and tenant commands.

Dr. Johnson-Freese has held numerous and distinguished positions within the realm of international and national securities studies. She has focused her research and writing on technology programs and policies generally, and space programs and policies specifically. Her research has included issues relating to technology transfer and export, missile defense, transparency, space and regional development, transformation, and globalization.

She assumed her current position in August

Chief of Naval Personnel says 58,000 women on duty

March marks the 17th annual observance of Women’s History Month. This year’s theme is “women inspiring hope and possibility.”

Chief of Naval Personnel Vice Adm. G. L. Hoewing, in a message to all hands, said nearly 58,000 navy women are serving on active duty, and thousands more are serving in the naval reserve, contributing to combat readiness every day at sea, in the air, in foreign lands, and on the homefront.

“Their extraordinary accomplishments build upon the success of women who served before them, going back to the first Navy nurses and yeomen(f) of World War I. Navy women support and defend their country in the majority of

officer and enlisted communities, from boatswain’s mate to bandmaster, surface warfare officer to steelworker, and hull technician to human resources officer.

“Commands are strongly encouraged to observe national Women’s History Month through educational programs, exhibits, publications, and participation in military and community events that recognize the achievements of women,” he said.

For information on women in the military and/or women in the Navy, visit the following websites:

— www.nwhp.org
— w.chinfo.navy.mil/navpalib/people/women/win-top.html
— www.womensmemorial.org

2002. Her previous academic positions include:

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CPOs enter float in St. Pat’s parade

By **BOB KREKORIAN**
NAVSTA Public Affairs Staff

The Navy in Newport will add a significant presence to the columns of marchers in the 48th annual Newport St. Patrick’s Day Parade tomorrow at 11 a.m.

The Newport Chief Petty Officers’ Association for the first time in recent memory will enter a float showing Navy pride and presence in Newport.

The float, a 16 by 8-foot flatbed trailer, will be towed by a Humvee and will display several crests representing major commands at Naval Station Newport, and the area.

In the center will be a rotating 4-foot golden anchor.

The Humvee is from Navy-Marine Corps Reserve Center, Providence. About 20 senior enlisted and family members

will ride or escort the float on foot.

A contingent of students from the Broadened Opportunity for Officer Selection and Training (BOOST) program, Seaman to Admiral-21, and a platoon of midshipmen candidates from the Naval Academy Preparatory School will march.

The Navy will also be represented by Navy Band Northeast’s marching band, a color guard from the Naval Ambulatory Care Center, and a Marine Corps color guard from BOOST. Naval Station Newport Public Safety will provide a Fire Department pumper truck and a Police Department honor guard and cruiser.

The parade starts on Broadway in Newport in front of Newport City Hall. The parade will follow the traditional route south to Thames Street and finish at St. Augustin’s Church.

Navy Band’s next concert to feature woodwinds, sax

Navy Band Northeast will offer the second concert in its ninth annual Spring Recital Series on Sunday, March 14, at 3 p.m., at Pringle Auditorium.

A woodwind trio and saxophone quartet will perform the works of Debussy, Nestico and Dubois.

The remaining three concerts in the series will feature the brass and wind instruments, steel drums, and jazz trumpet. The concerts will be performed in Pringle and

Spruance Halls at the Naval War College.

All concerts are free and the public is invited as guests of the Commanding Officer, Naval Station Newport. Attendees who do not normally have access must contact NAVSTA Newport’s Public Affairs Office at 841-3538 to be placed on an admittance list today by close of business.

Guests should enter the naval complex via Gate One, the main entrance.

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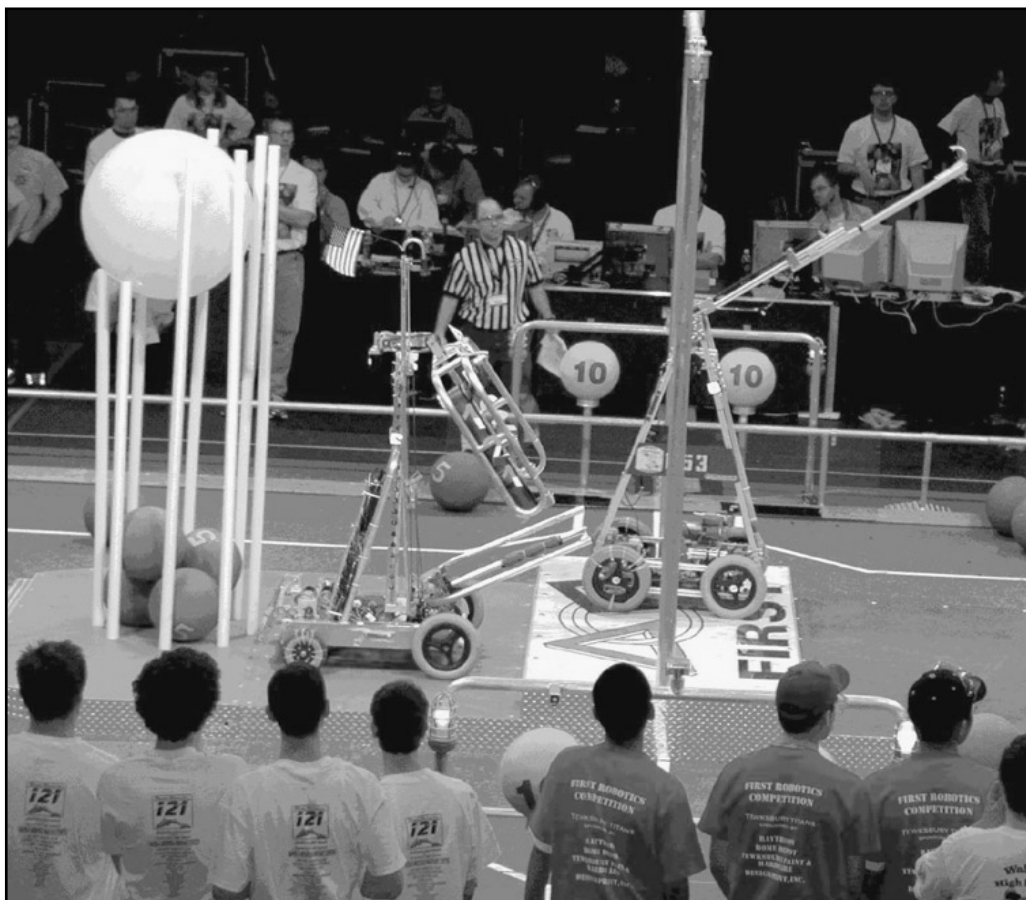
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ON THE RHODE AGAIN — The Middletown and Portsmouth High School robot SS Rhode Warrior, center left, competes against an entry from Walpole, Mass., High School during the quarterfinal rounds of the FIRST robotics competition in Manchester, N.H. last weekend. The R.I. schools partnered with the Naval Undersea Warfare Center (NUWC) to compete in the BAE Systems Granite State Regionals.

Robot Rhode Warrior places 7th in regionals

By **RICHARD ALEXANDER**
Navalog editor

MANCHESTER, N.H. — Middletown and Portsmouth, R.I., High Schools' robotics creation, SS Rhode Warrior, placed seventh out of 51 teams in the qualifying rounds of the BAE Systems Granite State Regionals in Manchester last weekend.

The Naval Undersea Warfare Center (NUWC) Division, Newport, R.I., has partnered with Middletown High School since 1996 to build a robot from a standardized kit and enter FIRST competitions regionally and nationally. The theme this year is "FIRST Frenzy; Raising the Bar."

FIRST, which stands for For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology, is designed to encourage interest in science and technology among high schools. This year, the partnership had added Portsmouth



TEAM 121 students Matt Goulart, left, and Joe Teno, center, confer with teammates and NUWC technical advisers as they tinker with Rhode Warrior in the 'pits' during qualifying rounds.

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4.1% raise OK'd for civil servants

WASHINGTON — President Bush issued an executive order on March 3 officially implementing a 4.1 percent average pay raise for civilian federal employees in 2004, *GovExec.com* reported last week.

Congress passed the raise in its 2004 Omnibus Appropriations Bill, which Bush signed into law Jan. 23. The raise could not go into effect, however, until the president issued the executive order to implement it.

Federal employees have been receiving a 2 percent pay raise in the first few months of this year based on a stopgap executive order Bush issued last Dec. 30.

Under Bush's order, 2.7 percent of the 2004 raise will go to an across-the-board salary increase and 1.4 percent will be devoted to locality pay.

In connection with the order, the Bush administration issued official pay tables showing how the raise would be implemented in various federal pay systems, and the rates of locality pay in metropolitan areas around the country.

Federal employees will still have to wait for individual agencies to adjust their pay systems to implement the raise. Last year, when there was a similar delay in implementing the raise, some employees didn't receive their full raises until the late spring.

In his fiscal 2004 budget request, Bush sought a 2 percent pay raise for civil servants and a new \$500 million Human Capital Performance Fund to reward top civilian federal workers. At the same time, the administration proposed a 4.1 percent pay raise for military personnel.

A number of things...

62

The number of students in Senior Enlisted Academy (SEA) Class 110 that graduated on Feb. 26 at the Officers' Club.

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100

The number of years that the Naval Marine Corps Relief Society has been serving the needs of active duty service-members. The annual fund drive is nearing its half-way mark.

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89

The number of graduates in the Naval War College's March Class of 2004 who will participate in ceremonies today at 10 a.m. in Spruance Auditorium.

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War College to graduate 89 students

By NWC Public Affairs Staff

Adm. Michael G. Mullen, Vice Chief of Naval Operations, will address 89 graduates of the Naval War College's March Class of 2004 during ceremonies today at 10 a.m. in Spruance Auditorium.

The graduating class represents officers from the U.S. Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Army, and the Coast Guard, and federal government civilians in the College of Distance Education. All graduates will receive the Master of Arts degree in National Security and Strategic Studies.

The students completed a rigorous academic year, which consisted of three trimesters: Strategy and Policy, Joint Military Operations, and National Security Decision Making. In addition to these core subjects, students were also challenged with elective courses. The Naval War College curriculum features seminar-based course work that allows for invigorating debates and in-depth discussions on case studies.

The graduates are:

College of Naval Warfare

Cmdr. James L. Autrey, U.S. Navy

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Mr. William E. Clements, Department of the Navy

Cmdr. Rey D. Conard, MC, U.S. Navy

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Cmdr. Robert P. Nugent, U.S. Navy

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MEMBERS of Class 110 of the Senior Enlisted Academy pose at Tomich Hall last week before graduation ceremonies at the Officers' Club.

Senior Enlisted Academy graduates 62

By CMDCM(SW) L. SOLINAP
Senior Enlisted Academy PAO

The Senior Enlisted Academy (SEA) graduated its 110th class on Feb. 26 at the Officers' Club. Capt. Douglas McDonald, Commanding Officer, Center Naval Leadership, Little Creek, Va., addressed the graduates and distinguished guests.

The SEA prepares selected senior enlisted leaders in pay grades E-8 and E-9 for the future challenges in leadership and management responsibilities.

Sixty-two senior enlisted leaders from the Navy, Air Force, Army and the Coast

Guard comprised the 110th graduating class.

Senior Chief Machinist's Mate Victor H. Carter of the USS Bataan (LHD-5) was awarded the Peter Tomich Award, the highest award presented to the student who exemplified the whole person concept for leadership ability and contributes the most to the learning process.

"This award reminds me of the late Master Chief Machinist's Mate Malcolm Hogan from my second ship, USS Sierra, who was my mentor, and Peter Tomich, who epitomized the attributes of a true chief," he said. "As a chief, it is not only what we do that is

important, but also what we stand for.

"No Sailor joins the Navy to fail. Our challenge as chief petty officers is to steer them in the direction of success."

Class 110 started its eight-week course last Jan. 5. During the pursuing weeks these

senior enlisted members immersed themselves in a range of topics including leadership theories; models and management techniques; communication; national security affairs; Navy programs

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Purchasing a home is a complex task. There are many questions that need to be answered before you take that big step.

Come to the Fleet and Family

Support Center on Thursday, March 18, from 7 to 9 p.m., and learn about your options and how to decipher real estate lingo.

You will meet with a repre-

sentative from the Navy Federal Credit Union to hear firsthand about qualifications for mortgages and other financial options. Home-buying information for all areas of the

United States is available at this workshop.

Registration is required and may be made by calling 841-2283.

Fleet and Family Support Center

fused, angry, abandoned or hurt.

Come to the Fleet and Family Support Center on Monday, March 15, from 9 to 10:30 a.m., and learn what you can do to help your child know that divorce isn't his or her fault. Learn ways to help them to adjust to the family changes.

For information and to register, call 841-2283.

Bring your lunch to the Fleet and Family Support Center today at 11:30 a.m. and watch the 30-minute film, "Listening Skills." Registration is not required. Just bring your lunch and enjoy the show!

Explore new careers— A workshop on careers is scheduled for Wednesday, March 17, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Gain assistance in knowing how and where to conduct research during the job search process.

Learn how to set up a job search notebook to keep job search information organized, and which marketplace is the best for selling your skills.

Registration is required. Call 841-2283.

Risky business—The Fleet and Family Support Center has a brand new workshop entitled, "Risky Business." It will be held on Thursday, March 18, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Participants will be provided information on "recreational" gambling versus "problem" gambling.

Learn about the impact of problem gambling on personality, behavior, finances, family and social relationships, and health, and where to obtain help for the problem gambler and his or her family members.

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What's going on

Navy joins parade for St. Paddy

Several contingents from Newport area military commands will participate in the 48th annual St. Patrick's Day Parade tomorrow.

The parade, the highlight of the month-long Irish heritage celebration in Newport, will step off at 11 a.m. from Newport City Hall.

Military representation to trek the parade route from Broadway, south to St. Augustin's Church on Carroll Avenue, will include a color guard from Naval Ambulatory Care Center, Newport and the Broadened Opportunity for Officer Selection and Training program, as well as Navy Band Northeast's marching band.

The Naval Station Newport Public Safety Department will provide a Fire Department pumper truck and a Police Department honor guard and cruiser.

TODAY, March 12

- Lunch and Learn movie matinee (Couple Communication/Listening Skills), 11:30 a.m., Fleet and Family Support Center. Call 841-2283 for more information.

- 54th annual The Home Show, continues through March 14, Rhode Island Convention Center, Providence. Today until 10 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.. Call 458-6000, or visit www.rihomeesshow.com

- "Open Doors: Vietnam POWs Thirty Years Later" exhibit on display through mid April, Naval War College Museum, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Collection of portraits and narratives celebrating the current lives of 31 Vietnam POWs, including Porter Halyburton, Professor, NWC.

- Free movies at the NAVSTA New-



Richard Alexander/U.S. Navy photo

NAVY BAND Northeast's marching band will join Newport's 48th annual St. Patrick's Day Parade tomorrow. More information this page.

port Recreation Center available upon request. *Duplex* (PG-13); and *Revolutions* (R).

- Irish Heritage Month continues. Citywide celebration commemorating the Irish culture and tradition in Newport. Call 800-976-5122, or visit www.goneuport.com

SATURDAY, March 13

- Soup kitchen, 4:30 p.m., Community Baptist Church, Dr. Marcus Wheatland Boulevard. Military volunteers welcome.

SUNDAY, March 14

- Navy Band Northeast's second concert of 2004 Spring Recital Series, Woodwind Chamber Music, by Woodwind Trio and Saxophone Quartet, 3 p.m., Pringle Auditorium, Naval War College.

- Chapel of Hope Sunday worship services:

- Protestant service, 8 and 10:30 a.m.

- Catholic mass, 9 a.m. and noon.

- Sunday Brunch, Officers' Club, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

MONDAY, March 15

- First Class Petty Officers Association coffee and doughnut sale, Building 690 Atrium, 6:30 to 8 a.m.

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- Soup kitchen, 8:30 a.m. Martin Luther King Center, Dr. Marcus Wheatland Boulevard. Military volunteers welcome.

TUESDAY, March 16

- The Credit Process, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Fleet and Family Support Center. Learn how to establish credit, correct credit problems and rebuild good credit. Call 841-2283 for more information.

- Coping With Adolescents Workshop, 5 to 6:30 p.m., Fleet and Family Support Center. First of three support group sessions for parents dealing with adolescents.

- Navy Choristers rehearsal, 6:15-8:45 p.m., Quinn Lecture Room at Naval War College. Call 847-4256 or 423-3523 for more information.

WEDNESDAY, March 17

- Armed Services YMCA (846-9622):

- Parents' Time Out, 9 a.m. to noon. Let the "Y" take care of your child(ren) while you have some time to yourself. \$12.50 for the first child, then \$7.50 each additional child.

- Kids Sewing No. 4, 4 to 5:30 p.m. \$60 for five 1 1/2-hour classes,

\$16 for each two-hour Saturday class. Also, March 18, 4 to 5:30 p.m.

- Career Exploration Workshop, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Fleet and Family Support Center. Learn how to organize job search information and more. Call 841-2283.

- Soup kitchen, 8:30 a.m., Martin Luther King Center, Dr. Marcus Wheatland Boulevard, Newport. Military volunteers welcome.

THURSDAY, March 18

- Armed Services YMCA (846-9622)

- Fitness Hour, 9 to 10:30 a.m.

- Parent and Toddler Playgroup, 10:45 a.m. to noon.

- Adult Beginner Sewing No. 4, 6 to 9 p.m. \$90 for five-week program.

- The Islander Foghorn Toastmasters Club meets, 12:15 to 1:15 p.m., Armed Services YMCA. A learn-by-

doing and enjoyable way to overcome the apprehension of public speaking and improve oral communication skills. For information, call Mike Spaziante, 832-8623, or Mary Ann Grota, 841-2475.

- Homebuyer's Workshop, 7 to 9 p.m., Fleet and Family Support Center. A Navy Federal Credit Union representative will discuss qualifications and other financial options.

- Risky Business, 9:30 to 11 a.m., Learn about the impact of problem gambling and resources for help. Call 841-2283 for more information.

- Soup kitchen, 8:30 a.m., Martin Luther King Center, Dr. Marcus Wheatland Boulevard, Newport.

Upcoming:

March 19 — Free Sunday at the Providence Children's Museum, 5 to 8 p.m., 100 South Street, Providence.

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Navy-Marine Corps Relief drive near half-way mark

By **JOY CHRISTMAS**

NAVSTA Public Affairs Staff

The annual Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society Fund Drive is underway at Naval Station Newport and will continue through March 31.

Celebrating its 100th year of service, the annual Navy-wide fundraiser helps fund the more than 250 Society agencies worldwide with the explicit mission of assisting service members of the Navy and Marine Corps and their families in their time of need and crisis.

With the exception of the Combined Federal Campaign, the NMCRS Fund Drive is the only fundraising campaign authorized in the government workplace. A non-profit organization, the society operates nearly 97 percent by volunteer staff.

This year's coordinator for Narragansett Bay area commands is Marine Capt. Chris Silvern, Commanding Officer, Marine Corps Detachment, at Naval Station (NAVSTA) Newport.

Navy-Marine Corps-wide, nearly \$34 million, involving 44,500 cases of financial need was distributed in 2003. Of that figure, the Newport Branch NMCRS, located at Building 1260, NAVSTA Newport, distributed nearly \$100,000 in 150 cases in the Narragansett Bay area.

For more information about the fund drive, call Capt Silvern at 841-2759. For information regarding volunteer opportunities, call Dan Brenton at 841-7342.

The individual command fund drive contact representatives follow:

Naval War College, Cmdr. David Destito, 841-7367

Naval Dental Center Northeast, SK3 Joy Randolph, 841-1298

Naval Station Newport Security Force, MA1 (SW) Richard Trantham, 841-7399

Office of Naval Intelligence, Detachment, Naval War College, CTO2 Nicholas Hughes, 841-1222

Surface Warfare Officers School Command, ENC Jeremiah Cooper, 841-4030

Naval Reserve Readiness Command Northeast, YN1 Okema Starkes, 841-3797

Officer Training Command-Newport, Lt. Daniel Vantrump,

841-4019

Senior Enlisted Academy, SK2 Shannon Daniels, 841-4221

Navy Band Northeast, MU2 Heather Knepper, 841-2479

U.S. Marine Corps Detach-

ment, Staff Sgt. Brian Imler, 841-2759

Naval Ambulatory Care Center, HM1 Edith LaFrazier, 841-1254

Naval Academy Preparatory School, FTC Charlie Medley,

841-6967

Personnel Support Detachment, Newport, PN1 (SW) Margaret Bertolino, 841-2488

Naval Station Newport, CSC Armen Buenaventura, 841-7583

Command

School, YN3 Adam Colby, 841-6384

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Animal House



CONAN, left, meets Shih Tzu puppy Bute, nose to nose.

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Dr. (Capt.) Robin Burke, USA, Chief of Veterinary Services headquartered at Naval Submarine Base New London, Groton, Conn., listens to the heart of Grover Cleveland, a Sheltie collie, owned by Marie Rader.



Veterinary Clinic earns patrons' wag of approval

By JOY CHRISTMAS

NAVSTA Public Affairs

Building a good rapport with her patients is important to Dr. (Capt.) Robin Burke. And when she sees a wag of a tail she can "paws"itively foresee a start of a positive relationship.

Capt. Burke, a veterinarian for the U.S. Army, reported recently as Chief of Veterinary Services, headquartered at New London Branch Veterinary Service, Naval Submarine Base, Groton, Conn.

With her arrival, weekly veterinary services

have resumed at the Veterinary Clinic in Building 303 at Naval Station Newport.

Burke, a military child and 2001 graduate of Auburn University College of Veterinary Medicine, Auburn Alabama, joined the Army after two years in civilian practice.

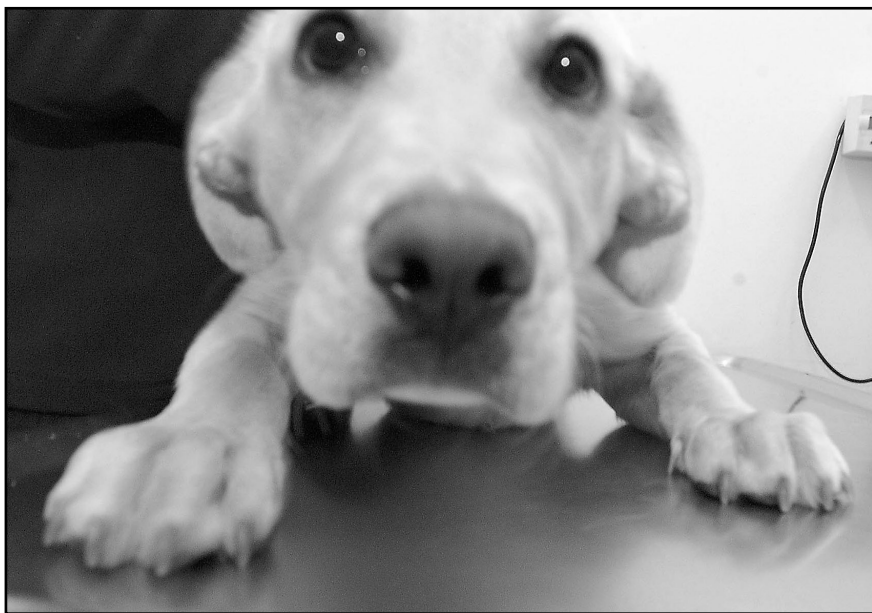
"I love it. It's been great," she said. "I get to do a lot of different things, and the travel and educational opportunities are exceptional."

Capt. Burke, who also conducts clinic services in New London, travels to Newport for a weekly clinic. "The focus of the veterinary clinics is prevention and wellness," said Burke.

VET CLINIC, Page 9



PARKER, in for his annual shots, gets weighed by one of the veterinary technicians.



CONAN, a 4-month-old yellow Lab stretches out on the examining table.

Vet Clinic

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Capt. Burke said the clinics are not equipped for emergency or surgical services, and stresses to patrons to maintain a veterinarian in the local community.

Authorized patrons can bring their pets in for such services as routine checkups; immunizations against rabies, distemper and Lyme disease; and heartworm and feline leukemia testing.

Fees for services and supplies are at a 45 to 60 percent savings over private veterinary clinics or hospitals.

Jessica Cate, whose husband is assigned to the Marine Corps Detachment, this week brought in her two cats, Liberty and Candance.

"The same services are definitely more expensive on the outside," said Cate. "With two pets it's a big savings."

There is no office fee, but there is a \$2 user fee and charges for medications and supplies for treatment.

Over-the-counter preventive medications for heartworm, flea and tick treatments and collars, shampoos, dental hygiene supplies and more is also available at a substantial savings. Only patrons with active records at the clinic can purchase such items Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

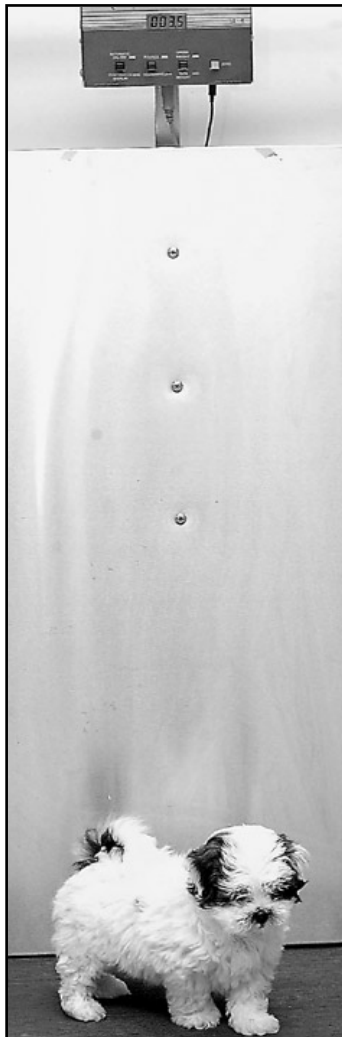
Jennifer Hughes brought her 4-month-old yellow lab, Conan, in for shots. "He loves it here and the staff is great," she said. "They are always friendly, knowledgeable and take the time to answer all my questions."

Capt. Burke also provides medical services for the military working dogs. She also oversees the inspection of meat and other food supplies purchased from civilian vendors that are sold or used at military installations in Rhode Island, Connecticut and Massachusetts.

She is assisted by three veterinarian technicians, Staff Sgt. Jon Sturgis, Specialist Kindra Lucero, Private Second Class Paul Baronak, and receptionist Jeanmaire Jesso.

In addition to the weekly clinics, Saturday clinics are held monthly by Army Reserve veterinarians.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 841-3994.



BUTE, a 7-week-old Shih Tzu, weighs in a 3½ pounds.

Announcements

Sealed bids solicited for 4 excess sailboats

The Morale, Welfare and Recreation Department is offering four Rhodes 19 sailboats for sale by sealed bid auction. All Rhodes 19 daysailers include sails, rigging and cradles.

Interested parties may obtain details of the bidding process, as well as a formal bid sheet at the MWR Administration Offices, Building 1121. Bids for these excess boats must be submitted to:

MWR Department
Naval Station Newport
1121 Meyerkord Ave.
Newport, R.I. 02841

All bids must be received on the official MWR bid sheet by close of business on Friday, April 30 to be considered. For more information, call the Marina Office at 841-3283.

MWR Easter Faire to return April 3

Children, ages 2 to 8, of active duty military members are invited to hop on over to the Morale, Welfare and Recreation Dept. Easter Faire on Saturday, April 3, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Officers' Club, Building 95.

This fun-filled family event will feature activities, games, crafts, prizes, face painting, a balloon artist and a special visit from the Easter Bunny! Bring your cameras or have a professional photographer with an Easter back-drop take some pictures. Children are encouraged to bring their Easter baskets to fill with candy and prizes.

Refreshments will be available as well. A fee of \$2 per person will be collected at the door to help offset costs. Adult volunteers are needed. Call Amy Burnes at 841-4038 for more information.

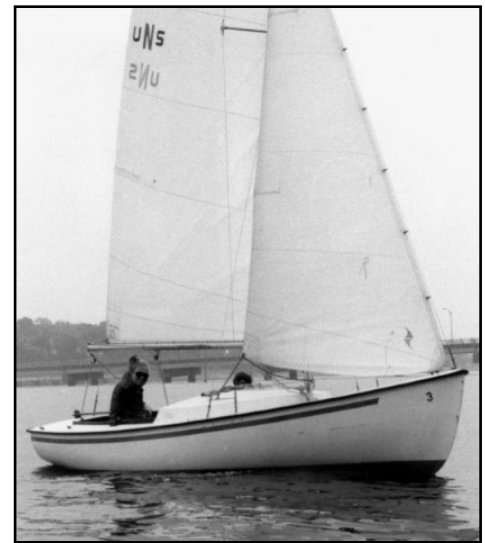
Safe Boating Course to begin Wednesday

Rhode Island law mandates that all persons born after Jan. 1, 1986, must complete the state's Safe Boating Course in order to operate a boat with a motor greater than 10 horsepower. In addition, all persons (regardless of age) operating a personal watercraft (jet ski) must also complete the course.

The course, while offering obvious safety benefits to anyone operating a boat will also reduce boat owner liability insurance costs (USAA will reduce premiums by 5 percent.) Completion of the course also qualifies as the ground school portion of the Morale, Welfare and Recreation powerboat certification requirement.

MWR has scheduled two sessions of the state's Boating Safety Course to be given by Ed Noll, a certified state instructor and licensed charter captain.

The first class will be held Wednesdays, March 10 and 17, from 6 to 9 p.m. The second class will be held Wednesdays,



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SAIL FOR SALE — The Morale, Welfare and Recreation Department is offering four Rhodes 19 sailboats for sale by sealed bid auction. All daysailers include sails, rigging and cradles. More information this page.

April 14 and 21 from 6 to 9 p.m. All materials are provided. The course is offered at no cost. To register call the Marina Office at 841-3283.

Special events

Coffee, anyone?

The First Class Petty Officers Association will sponsor a coffee/ juice and doughnut fundraiser on Monday, March 15, from 6:30 to 8 a.m. in the atrium of Building 690, Naval Station Newport command headquarters. The cost is \$1.

Meetings/reunions

Retired Enlisted meet

The next regular meeting for The Retired Enlisted Association, Chapter 79, will be March 13 at 10 a.m. at the VFW Post 4487, 52 Underwood Lane, Middletown. Come and meet your new slate of Officers.

Volunteer to help make your Chapter one of the best. For more information, call President Tom O'Connell at 322-1567

USS Turner reunion

The 13th reunion for those stationed aboard the USS Turner (DD/DDR 834) will be held Sept. 8 to 12 at the Sheraton Hotel in Norfolk, Va. All shipmates, including those of the USS Turner (DD 648) lost in 1944, are welcome and encouraged to attend. Numerous social functions and other activities are planned.

Contact Dick Shanaberger, 2130 Salisbury Street, York, Pa. 17404-1013. Information is also available at www.ussturner.org

Naval Station Newport Dining

Officers' Club

(Building 95, Phone 841-4821, 846-7987 or 849-3693)

Today: Lunch, 11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., first deck, buffet-style selections.

Tonight: Kick-off the weekend at Topside Pub, the place to be on Friday nights 4 to 6. Our "happy hour" domestic beverage special (excluding Guinness) is only \$1.50!

For you designated drivers, there's free coffee or fountain drinks all night long!

Saturday: Topside Pub opens at 4 p.m. Full pub menu available until one hour before closing.

Monday-Wednesday: Lunch, 11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., first deck, buffet-style selections. Dinner, 4 to 10 p.m., Topside Pub. Try a delicious burger claimed to be the best half-pound burger in town and fixed just the way you like it!

Don't feel like a burger? Try one of our combo meals—soup and salad or soup and sandwich.

If you don't feel like having a meal, we have a variety of appetizers to choose from like boneless Buffalo wings, nachos or our own home-style chili. Great prices, great location!

Thursday: Lunch, 11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., first deck, buffet-style selections. Dinner, 5 to 7 p.m., Topside Pub, Lobsters for Happy Hour. One-plus pound boiled lobsters, giant baked potatoes, hot and spicy wings, fresh garden salads, and



GO GREEN — If leprechauns, shamrocks and green beer are your thing, don't miss the St. Patrick's Dinner Show tonight at the Officers' Club, featuring The Blackthorn Band. Tickets are still available. Call 846-2515 or visit the O'Club Gift Shop.

creamy clam chowder. Pub opens at 4 p.m.

Upcoming Events:

Advance tickets may be required for the following events. Gratuity is included in all tickets prices and there is no charge for children age 3 and under at special events.

Tickets are available at the Officers' Club Gift Shop during normal hours of operation or by phone using Visa or MasterCard.

To purchase tickets or for more information, call 846-7987 or 841-4821.

St. Patrick's Dinner Show: The Blackthorn Band will perform at the Officers' Club tonight, 6 to 11. Tickets are still available and cost just \$22.95 each, including gratuity. Order by phone (Visa/MC only) at 846-2515 or visit the O'Club Gift Shop.

Oldies Dinner Show featuring King's Row will perform at the Officers' Club, on Friday, April 9, 6 to 11 p.m. Tickets must be

purchased in advance and cost \$24.95 each, including gratuity. Order by phone (Visa/MC only) at 846-7987 or visit the O'Club gift Shop.

Easter Buffet at the Officers' Club Sunday, April 11, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tickets must be purchased in advance and cost \$23.95 each, including gratuity. Order by phone (Visa/MC only) at 846-7987 or visit the O'Club gift Shop.

Enlisted Lounges

(Recreation Center, Building 656, phone 841-3054)

Hours of operation: The Enlisted Club is open 4 to 11 p.m., Wednesday to Saturday. The CPO Lounge is open Wednesday and Thursday, 4 to 9 p.m., and Friday, 4 to 11 p.m.

Pub menu is available Wednesday through Saturday, 4 to 8 p.m. Lunch service is unavailable.

Tonight: Kick off the weekend with a rockin' good time! Head over to the Recreation Center, Building 656, every Friday and kick off the weekend with a fabulous TGIF party!

Starting at 5 p.m., you are invited to enjoy complimentary hors d'oeuvres, sip refreshing beverages, and listen to the coolest tunes, spun by a rocking DJ from "Get With it Productions."

This is the perfect way to unwind after a long week, so mark your calendar, tell your friends and get ready to kick off the weekend at the Recreation Center.

Saturday: 4 p.m. to 11 p.m., Pub menu available from 4 to 8 p.m.

Wednesday is "Wild Wings" Night, 5 to 8 p.m. Basket of chicken wings (available three ways), fresh celery and blue cheese dipping sauce costs just \$2.50!

Thursday, you are invited to enjoy the "Chef's Choice," a delicious, freshly prepared meal from our kitchen at a

price guaranteed to please. 5 to 8 p.m.

Ney Hall Galley

(Building 292, phone 841-4450)

All hands welcome

Weekdays: breakfast, 6 to 7:15 a.m.; lunch, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; and dinner, 5:15 to 6:30 p.m.

Saturday: breakfast, 6:30 to 8 a.m.; lunch 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; and dinner, 5 to 6:15 p.m.

Sunday: breakfast 8:30 to 10 a.m.; lunch, 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and dinner, 5 to 6:15 p.m.

Call for daily menus and meal charges.

Noble Roman's Pizza

(Building 1255, phone 851-2006)

Breakfast, lunch and dinner menu. Dine-in, take out and home delivery to Navy family housing and Combined Bachelor Housing Quarters evenings only after 4 p.m. Open weekdays, 6:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.; and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Blimpie's Subs and Salads

(Navy Exchange Main Building)

Lunch and dinner menu, dine-in or take out. No home delivery. Open NEX hours: Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Sundays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Speaker

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Chair, Transnational Studies Department and faculty member, Asia Pacific, Center for Security Studies, Honolulu, Hawaii, 1998-2002; faculty member, Air War College, Maxwell Air Force, Alabama, 1993-1998; and Director, Center for Space Policy and Law, and a political science department faculty member, University of Central Florida, Orlando, Florida, 1980-1993.

Dr. Johnson-Freese is the author of several books on the space program that include: *The Chinese Space Program: A Mystery Within a Maze* (1998); and *Space: The Dormant Frontier, Changing the Space Paradigm for the 21st Century* (1997).

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Information, Tickets and Travel

Get your tickets to Flower Show

The MWR Information, Tickets & Travel Office, Building 656, is pleased to offer patrons a chance to get an early glimpse of spring with tickets to the 2004 New England Spring Flower Show at the Bayside Expo Center, Boston.



Ticket prices per person are: weekend, \$21; weekday, \$17; seniors, \$15; and children 4 to 12, \$8.

The flower show is in bloom from March 13 to 21.

With six acres of exhibits, this is one of the largest indoor events in New England. For more information, call the ITT Office at 841-3116.

Boston Red Sox tickets offered

Take your family out to the ball game with great box seats in Fenway Park, home of the Boston Red Sox. The MWR Information, Tickets & Travel Office has tickets to 31 home games, including dates on weekends, holidays and a few weekdays.

Seats are located in the Field Box in section 22 and the Loge Box of section 21. Both boxes are located behind and to the right of home plate as you face the field.

Tickets will go on sale at 6 a.m. on Tuesday, March 16.

Sales will be limited to active duty military personnel only on Tuesday (6 to 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.) and Wednesday, March 17 (11 a.m. to 4 p.m.) and a valid military ID must be shown upon purchase.

Beginning Thursday, March 18, the remaining tickets will be available to all authorized personnel. Tickets must be purchased in multiples of two and will be limited to four tickets per person, per day.

Loge box seat tickets are priced at \$70 each; field box tickets are priced at \$75 each. Phone orders will not be accepted. For more information call 841-3116.

Vouchers available for Pawsox

Catch terrific baseball action close to home in Pawtucket, R.I., at McCoy Stadium, home of the Pawtucket Red Sox.

The Information, Tickets & Travel Office, Building 656, has discount ticket vouchers for all regular season Pawsox home games. General admission seat vouchers cost \$5 each and box seat vouchers are just \$8 each. For best available seating, redeem all vouchers to this season's games on your first visit to the box office.

These vouchers make a terrific gift for the sports fan in your family—and at such affordable prices, there doesn't have to be a special occasion! Pick yours up today! For more information, call 841-3116.

Broadway musicals in Providence

The Information, Tickets & Travel Office in Building 656 has tickets available for the following Broadway musicals coming to the Providence Performing Arts Center in Providence.

Seating is located in the orchestra section for the Sunday matinee performances of the following shows:

The Graduate, April 18, 2 p.m. \$50.75

Starlight Express (music of Andrew Lloyd Webber), May 23, 2 p.m., \$49.

Visit the Information, Tickets & Travel Office in Building 656 to purchase tickets or call 841-3116 for more information.

Passport photos available at ITT

In a hurry, need a passport photo fast?

Visit Information, Tickets and Travel Office in Building 656 and get your passport photos taken, no appointment necessary!

Photos cost \$8 and can be done during hours of operation, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Leisure

Youth/special fitness activities

(Gym 109, 841-3154)

• **Youth fitness program:** Eligible youth wishing to utilize Morale, Welfare and Recreation Department fitness facilities (Gym 109 and FITNESS Plus) are required to take a mandatory resistance and aerobics training class prior to entering the facilities during the designated times.

This class is required for youth ages 10 to 15, and is also available for 16 and 17-year-olds that may also choose to participate in the fitness assessment program instead.

The Youth Fitness Class is available on an individual basis by pre-registering at Gym 109 or FITNESS Plus in Building 355. Parents are required to be in the building where the course is being held during all class sessions.

Complete details on this program and youth fitness policies are available at Gym 109. Call 841-7196 for information or to pre-register.

Register for MYA spring sports: Does your child athlete have the winter blues? Cheer up, the spring sporting season is just around the corner! Soccer, t-ball and coach-pitch baseball registrations are currently being accepted at Gym 109.

T-ball is open to children ages 3 to 5; and youth ages 6 to 8 may register for coach-pitch baseball.

Sports

Intramural basketball

The Naval Station Newport Intramural Basketball League final results as of March 5, follow:

**35 and over
Feb. 5**

NWC Seniors def. Grumpy Old Men, 39-31

1st Draft Pick def. NWC Juniors, 60-57

Nothin But Net No. 3 def. NWC Seniors, 46-36

Standings

NWC Juniors.....9-2
1st Draft Picks.....8-2
Nothin But Net #3.....5-5
Grumpy Old Men.....1-8
NWC Seniors.....1-7

Soccer registration is open to ages 4 to 12. All games are held on Saturday mornings, beginning April and run until June.

The cost is \$30 per child for either the t-ball, baseball or soccer league, and the registration is on going until today.

Soccer skill evaluations will take place in March.

Spring sports clinics will be held on Saturday, April 3 at Gym 109. Children will learn or brush up on their sports skills. There is a \$5 fee per child. Register at Gym 109 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, or call Jeff Dunn at 841-7196 for more information.

Gymnasium

(Gym 109, 841-3154 or FITNESS Plus, Building 355, 841-1474)

St. Patrick's Day Fun Run: Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a fun run/walk on Friday, March 19! Come out and join your base mates for a three-mile run and one and a half mile walk that will take you around Fitness Plus, Building

355. This event is open to all active duty, retirees, reserve personnel, DoD civilians and all family members. Participants under age 18 must have written parental consent (on form available at Fitness Plus). Refreshments will be provided following the event. Registrations will be accepted at Fitness Plus. For more information, call 841-1474.

Intramural Volleyball: Register today for the intramural volleyball league at Gym 109! Open to adults 18 and over, registrations will be accepted Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Matches begin March 22 and are played Monday through Thursday evenings at 5:30, 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. through May 20.

Active duty, retirees, reservists, dependents and DoD civilians are welcome to participate. There is a \$15 fee for DoD civilians. All teams are required to pay a \$100 refundable forfeit fee, and teams must have matching shirts with numbers by the first game.



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Coast Guard bucks winter



NO LAND LINES HERE — Damage Controlman First Class James Kline, crewmember aboard the cutter Willow, takes time to phone home and make his final Super Bowl predictions last Feb. 1.

YOU GO LONG— Although the crewmembers aboard the Newport based Coast Guard cutter Willow were unable to watch the 2004 Super Bowl, they managed to have their own football fun — ‘ice liberty’ — about 1.5 miles southwest of the Cleveland Ledge Light in Buzzards Bay.

Ens. Amy Mousaw/
USCG photos



Three buoy tenders take crack at ice

By **ENS. AMY L. MOUSAW**
USCGC Willow PAO

All three Coast Guard buoy tenders, berthed at Naval Station Newport, were employed this past winter breaking ice in Northeast coastal waters for marine traffic.

During New England's coldest weather in more than a century, shipping came to a near standstill in Buzzards Bay, Nantucket Sound, Cape Cod Canal and Narragansett Bay. Ice as thick as 24 inches was recorded in some areas.

The ice affected commercial tugs and barges, which carry various cargo such as home heating oil, plus fishing vessels transiting to and from fishing grounds, and ferries carrying passengers and supplies to Nantucket Island and

Martha's Vineyard.

Moving ice floes also carried off many aids to navigation (ATONs) or buoys from their assigned locations. The ATONs mark safe water and navigable channels.

All three Newport-based “black hulls” berthed at Pier Two, assisted. They are the coastal buoy tender *Ida Lewis*, and the 225-foot ocean-going buoy tenders *Juniper* and *Willow*. They first concentrated on breaking ice and escorting commercial traffic to ports.

Other Coast Guard buoy tenders were called in from as far away as Maine and New York to help keep the waterways navigable.

The *Willow* was underway from Jan. 23 to Feb. 13. It escorted 21 tugs and barges, and repositioned 29 ATONs.



POLAR BEAR DIP — Ensign Eric Wilson, left photo, learns that ice liberty and swim call are two very different evolutions. At right, the *Willow*'s crewmembers set an ice buoy at the Hog Island Channel to mark safe water for mariners. The shape of the buoy allows ice to flow over and past it, increasing the chances it stays in place.

and health and physical fitness.

Lecturers from the military and academia supported each block of instruction in the course. Subject matter experts from the Naval War College, Washington, D.C., and area colleges and universities also supplemented classroom work.

Established in 1981, the SEA is the capstone in the Navy's enlisted leadership continuum pipeline for senior enlisted leaders. Upon successful completion of the 360 hours of instruction, students will gain up to 18 semester hours of credits toward a college degree.

"If you are a senior or master chief, this should be your top goal to attain — attending the Senior Enlisted Academy," Master Chief Boatswain's Mate Brian R. Lanear, president of the graduating class, said.

The members of Class 110 and their ultimate duty stations are:

TSCS(SS) Crispian D. Addington, USS Helena (SSN 725), San Diego, Calif.

SGM Robert K. Allyn, 1st Special Forces Group (Airborne), Ft. Lewis, Wash.

ITCS(SW/AW) Bradley Asch, Strategic Communications Wing One, Tinker Air Force Base, Okla.

PNCM(SW) Robert E. Askew, USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75), Norfolk, Va.

DCCS(SW) Edwin B. Belk, Naval Station Everett, Everett, Wash.

SMSgt. Robert D. Brooks, 65TH Mission Squadron Group, Azores, Portugal

CTICM Kimberlee C. Browning, Naval Security Group Activity, Misawa, Japan

ATCS(AW/NAC) Mark A. Butler, Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron (VAW 126), Norfolk, Va.

AMCS(AW) Kevin M. Carter, Air Test & Evaluation Squadron 31 (VX31), China Lake, Calif.

MMCS(SW) Victor H. Carter, USS Bataan (LHD 5), Norfolk, Va.

HMCS(SW/AW) Anthony S. Craig, USS Cape St. George (CG 71), Norfolk, Va.

CMDCM(SW/AW) Alvin R. Crawford, USS Hue City (CG 66) Mayport, Fla.

OSCS(SW) John O. Crewdson, USS John Paul Jones (DDG 53) San Diego, Calif.

SMSgt Christopher J. Cully, 9th Special Operations Squadron

FTCS(SS) Kevin D. Denson, Trident ballistic missile submarine USS Wyoming (SSBN

742), Blue Kings Bay, Fla.

ITCS(SW/AW) Vivencia M. Dodson, USS Kitty Hawk (CV 63), Yokosuka, Japan

CMDCM(AW) Gary Doner, Strike Fighter Squadron, Naval Air Station Oceana, Va.

BUCS(SCW) Michael P. Dyer, U.S. Naval Mobile Construction Battalion Five, Port Hueneme, Calif.

YNCS(AW) Troy Edwards, Fighter Wing U.S. Atlantic Fleet, Virginia Beach, Va.

UTCS(SCW) Brian P. Farricy, U. S. Naval Mobile Construction Battalion Seven, Miss.

ATCS(AW/SW) Jerome A. Faulk, Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center, Norfolk Detachment, San Diego, Calif.

AWCS(AW/SW) Larry F. Favors, Helicopter Antisubmarine Wing US Atlantic Fleet, Jacksonville, Fla.

SMSgt Thomas S. Foster Jr., 2nd Munitions Squadron, Barnadale Air Force Base, La.

GMCS(SW) Barry R. Francis, Afloat Training Group Pacific, San Diego, Calif.

HTCS(EOD/SW) Ralph M. Ghormley, Operational Test and Evaluation Force, Norfolk, Va.

CMDCM(AW) Donald J. Graser, USS Halyburton (FFG 40), Mayport, Fla.

CMDCM(SCW) Larry L. Greenwood, Navy Cargo Handling and Port Group, Williamsburg, Va.

ITCM(SW/AW) Linda L. Handley, USS Higgins (DDG 76) San Diego, Calif.

HMCS(SW/FMF) Michael T. Hedden, USS Rushmore (LSD 47), San Diego, Calif.

CMDCM(SS) Ismael Hernandez, TRIDENT Submarine Refit Facility, Kings Bay, Ga.

ENCS(DSW/SW) Dominic E. Hove, U.S. Naval Ship Repair Facility, Yokosuka, Japan

MMCS(SW/AW) Kenneth E. Jones, USS Dubuque (LPD 8), San Diego, Calif.

ABHCS(EOD/AW) Mark S. Keenan, Naval Special Clearance Team One, San Diego, Calif.

CMDCM(SS) Kevin R. Kesterson, U.S. Naval Hospital, Naples, Italy

CUCM(SCW) Olin C. Lacy, Commander, 20th Naval Construction Regiment, Gulfport, Miss.

BMCM(SW/AW) Brian R. Lanear, Expeditionary Warfare Training Group Atlantic, Norfolk, Va.

MMCS(SS) Mark Langston, USS Jacksonville (SSN699), Norfolk, Va.

BMCS(SW) Frankie K. Leibfried, Expeditionary Warfare Training Group, Naval Education and Training, San

Diego, Calif.

BMCS(SW) Thomas W. Marshall, 1st Armored Division DISCOM, Weisbaden, Germany

PNCS(SW) Jovey C. Martir, Defense Information School, Fort Meade, Md.

ETCS(SS) Tyrone Oien, Submarine Squadron 7, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii

ADCS(AW/SW) Jackie Ouzts, Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron (VAW 126), Norfolk, Va.

ITCS(SW/AW) Carlos F. Parter, Destroyer Squadron 22, Norfolk, Va.

RPCM(SW/FMF) Loriann M. Pasternack, Center for Naval Leadership, Little Creek, Va.

GSCS(SW) Bruce L. Robbins, Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Div., Orlando, Fla.

AECS(AW/NAC) Michael J. Rogers, Helicopter Squadron 8, San Diego, Calif.

STSCM(SS) Rafael E. Rosado, Trident ballistic missile submarine USS Maine (SSBN 741), Blue Kings Bay, Ga.

MMCS(SS) Phillip J. Sandy, Trident ballistic missile submarine USS Pennsylvania (SSBN 7735), Gold Bangor, Wash.

SWCS(SCW) Orvin D. Sharp, Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 7, Gulfport, Miss.

CMDCM(AW) Rodney C. Shepard, Naval Air Reserve Force, New Orleans, La.

SKCS(AW) Bradley R. Shepherd, USS John F. Kennedy (CV 67), Mayport, Fla.

SKCS(EOD/SW) John P. Siegel, Disposal Mobile Group Two, Norfolk, Va.

MMCS(SS) Andrew T. Smith, USS Hartford (SSN 768), Groton, Conn.

MTCS(SS) David W. Smith, Trident ballistic missile submarine USS Alaska (SSBN 732) Blue Group, Bangor, Wash.

SKCS(SW) James N. Stuart II, Naval Surface Force U.S. Atlantic Fleet, Norfolk, Va.

NCCS(SW) Kevin C. Sullivan, USS John F. Kennedy (CV 67), Mayport, Fla.

GMCM Timothy G. Wallace, U.S. Coast Guard Atlantic Area, Portsmouth, Va.

CMDCM(SW/AW) James C. Ward, Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadron 135, Whidbey Island, Wash.

ITCS(SW) Frank E. Warrington, USS Cleveland (LPD 7), San Diego, Calif.

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Navy improves voting program

MILLINGTON, Tenn. (NNS) — Several changes have been initiated in the Navy's Voting Assistance Program for 2004 to ensure this election year is the smoothest ever for Sailors.

In the 2000 election, many military votes did not get counted, as problems existed with absentee ballots, primarily from afloat units not getting postmarked in a timely

Navy-wide news

manner. The Navy is addressing that problem by installing postmark cancellation machines on all ships in the fleet.

Navy VAOs are also getting better access to the tools they need. This year, VAOs can access online the Navy Personnel Command's VAO data base, receive the latest voting news and tools, and allow them to communicate directly with the Chief of Naval Personnel's Voting Action Officer, Lt. Cmdr. Mark Lofton.

Lofton will begin visiting major regional facilities in March to provide on-site assistance in announcing and establishing effective voting assistance programs.

Carrier focuses on 'fit' Sailors

NORFOLK, Va. (NNS) — In an effort to encourage Sailors to lead a healthier lifestyle and maximize their physical fitness potential, the Center for Personal Development (CPD) began a three month test aboard USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN 69) Feb. 2.

The Personal Performance Assistant (PPA), being tested by 450 Ike Sailors, is designed primarily to help Sailors enhance their current level of physical performance, lose weight and/or pass the semi-annual Physical Fitness Assessment (PFA).

According to Bill Calvert, a PPA program manager, the new program is designed to provide Sailors with easily accessible, tailored guidance concerning their personal fitness.

"The foundation content of the program includes diet, weight control and exercise

guidance all in an integrated package that delivers a dynamically created, personalized Web page for the user," said Calvert. "It will assist you in achieving one of several goals, including enhancing your current physical performance and losing weight."

SUBASE center reenlists 100%

GROTON, Conn. (NNS) — The Naval Submarine Support Center (NSSC) at Naval Submarine Base (SUBASE) New London received the 2003 Retention Excellence Award

when they reenlisted 100 percent of their personnel who were eligible, and formally raised their Retention Excellence Award Pennant Feb. 23.

In addition to NSSC, the following submarines at SUBASE also earned the fiscal year '03

Retention Excellence Award: USS Annapolis (SSN 760), USS Alexandria (SSN 757), USS Connecticut (SSN 22), USS Philadelphia (SSN 690), USS Pittsburgh (SSN 720), USS Springfield (SSN 761), USS Toledo (SSN 769) and the submarine NR-1.

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